

House Resolution No. 3878

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens, particularly its educators; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Richard McCoy, of Waynesville, Missouri, who has been honored with a Got 2B Safe! Grand Prize, from an annual awards program sponsored by Honeywell and the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children® (NCMEC) that recognizes teachers committed to keeping children safer from abduction and sexual exploitation; and

Whereas, the son of Bill and Leyetta McCoy, Richard McCoy is a sixth grade special education teacher at Laquey Middle School and a member of the Missouri State Teacher's Association and Learning Disabilities of America Springfield Chapter; and

Whereas, in 2003, Honeywell and NCMEC created the Got 2B Safe! Program to arm teachers, parents, and children with vital child-safety skills, and this year there were five Grand Prize winners and one hundred First Prize winners; and

Whereas, Richard McCoy planned a "Got 2B Safe!-ty Fair" for his classroom, and to prepare for the fair, his students will learn the Got 2B Safe! Four Rules of Safety – check first, go with a friend, it's my body, and tell a trusted adult – and incorporate these rules into posters, bookmarks, poems, raps, and skits; and

Whereas, the students will present these materials to K-5 special education students, families, and faculty, and following the fair, Richard McCoy will take digital photos of each student to create a Got 2B Safe! laminated mini-poster to take home:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere congratulations, gratitude, and admiration to Richard McCoy on the illustrious occasion his being named a Grand Prize winner in the Got 2B Safe! Awards, with our very best wishes for continued success in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Richard McCoy.

Offered by _____
Representative David Day
District No. 148

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3878, adopted August 12, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker